

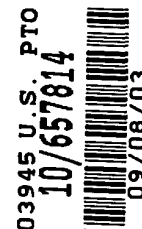


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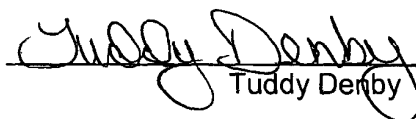


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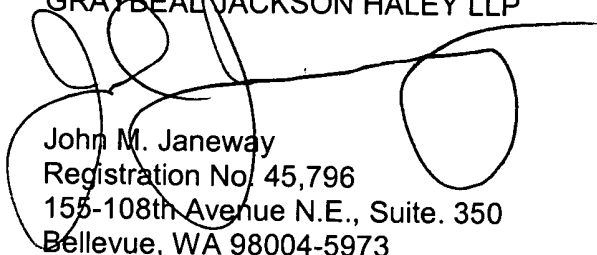
Transmitted herewith for filing is the above-referenced patent application.

- I. This is a continuation utility patent application.
- II. Benefit of co-pending PCT Application number PCT/KR01/02310, filed on 31 December 2001 and designating the United States (35 USC § 363), which claims priority to Korean Patent Application No. 2001-11797, filed 7 March 2001 is being claimed under 35 USC §120.
- III. A certified copy of Korean Patent Application number 2001-11797 and PCT Application number PCT/KR01/02310 will follow.

- IV. The following papers are enclosed:
- 18 Pages of specification;
 - 1 Page of claims;
 - 1 page abstract;
 - 1 page sequence listing;
 - Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms;
 - International Publication WO 02/070670 A1;
 - Certificate of Express Mailing (Label No. ER 452755541 US);
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 - Information Disclosure Statement.
- V. The following papers will follow:
- Declaration of Inventorship executed by the inventors.
- VI. The language of the application is English.
- VII. The co-pending PCT international application identified in Section II above was published in English so no translation is required.
- VIII. Fee Calculation:
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| Basic Filing Fee | | | | \$375 |
| Number Filed | | Number Extra | | Total |
| Total Claims | 9 | -20 = | X \$9 = | \$0 |
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| Total Filing Fee: | | | | \$501 |
- IX. Payment of Filing fee will follow.
- X. Applicant claims Small Entity Status.
- XI. Please send all notices and correspondence to Bryan A. Santarelli, Registration number 37,560 (Customer Number 000996).

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